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## EXTEND TIME OF PAYMENT

The Pecos Water Users' Association Receive Notice That Under This Project.

FIRST PAYMENT WILL BE  
EXTENDED TO DEC. 1, 1909

Change of Time Brought About  
by Efforts of President Beeman and Secretary Hove

WASHINGTON, D. C.  
Dec., 1, 1908.

A. M. Hove,  
Carlsbad, New Mexico.  
Secretary Garfield has approved and signed recommendation to Reclamation Service, changing date of first delinquent from March 1st to December 1st, 1909. Request for graduated payments was not recommended. Letter follows.

E. McQUEEN GRAY.

The above telegram was received Tuesday noon, and conveys news of importance to every shareholder under the Carlsbad Project. The board of Directors of Pecos Water Users' Association found that the majority of the shareholders would have difficulty in meeting all their payments by March 1, 1909. The Board, therefore, concluded to ask for an extension of time in the payment of the construction charge of \$3.10 an acre for the year 1908. The president, C. W. Beeman, and A. M. Hove, the secretary, went to Albuquerque to meet the chief engineer of the Reclamation Service, A. F. Davis, during the Irrigation Congress there. The matter was gone over with Mr. Davis at that time. On the urgent request of the Water Users' Association, Mr. Davis agreed to change his plans and visit the Carlsbad Project. He spent three days going over the Project very carefully. At the next meeting of the Board of Directors the officers were directed to prepare a formal request for an extension of time in the payment of the construction charge from March 1st to December 1st. The local Reclamation authorities, as the supervising engineer, indorsed this request strongly. The matter then went to Washington, and was presented to the Secretary of the Interior for his action. It is learned that Mr. Davis also indorsed the request of the Water Users. The above telegram conveys the news that the secretary granted the request.

This means that the construction charge of \$3.10 an acre will not become delinquent until December 1, 1909. The maintenance charge of 75 cents, however, is due, and must be paid within the time specified in the original assessment to obtain water the coming irrigation season.

Mr. E. McQueen Gray, who stopped over in Washington on his return from Richmond, Va., assisted materially in obtaining this important concession for the water users.

## Doings Under Carlsbad Project.

The Public Utilities Company is doing its best to keep pace with the growing patronage. It is found that more power will soon be needed for the light and electric power service. A forty-inch wheel and harness has been ordered, and will be installed at the dam below town. The old wheel is thirty-five inch and has a capacity of about 150 horse power. The new wheel will increase the power to nearly 190 horse power, making a total of over 340 horse power at this dam alone. By cutting down the tail-race slightly and raising the dam eighteen inches, the power can be increased to over 400 horse power; the construction of the new exchange will be under way in a few days.

Dr. F. F. Doepp is making additional improvements on his place below town. He is now at work leveling one tract that was planted in alfalfa last spring. He will resow this land in alfalfa as soon as possible. He is also improving his ditches with a view of reducing the cost of irrigation, and increasing the efficiency of the water service. His land irrigates well as it is, but with the improvements now under way he will be able to irrigate better with less water than heretofore. Dr. Doepp has also ordered trees for a fair-sized orchard to be set out during the winter.

C. A. Cunningham, the hustling farmer near Loving, thinks that he has earned a vacation after a three months strenuous campaign, cleaning, plowing, and planting land. Mr. Cunningham returned to his old home in Nebraska Wednesday morning. He will also visit in Illinois before his return here. He is also planning to set out a large orchard this winter.

Samuel H. Haden, of Kansas, will remove here in the near future, and begin active improvement on his place near Otis.

Mrs. Cassie M. Hays sold her farm near Malaga last week to James M. Neal from Oklahoma, receiving \$2,800.00 for the place. Mr. Neal is expected here sometime during the winter to carry out extensive improvements on the farm. Mrs. Hays will make her home in Carlsbad.

C. J. Demorest of Otis is planning to move to Florida by the first of the year. He expects to have the sale of his home place closed up in a short time.

I. S. Osborne has done a great deal of work on his large farm about two miles south of Otis. A great deal of oats have been planted on section 11. Others in the same neighborhood have done much work, and the appearance of that particular part of the country is changed from a wilderness to an attractive farming district. With a little work in the roads, the country will look very attractive to visitors from abroad.

P. J. Lenzen, who has a place south of town, will plant more oats before the first of the year. He is now at work getting the rest of his cotton out, and as soon as he completes this he will plant more oats.

## Clean the Roads.

More effective work has been done on the roads leading into Carlsbad the past season than at any time before. Yet there is much work to be done before we can truthfully say that we have good roads. There was a time when it was next to impossible to bring a load of hay or fodder into Carlsbad from any direction without accident. At present the roads are fairly level, but there remains much rock and gravel that should be removed. This will acquire constant attention for time to come. Another thing that should be done this winter is to clean the brush and weeds from the roads throughout the Project. This wilderness of stuff growing along the roadside is not only unattractive, but it is a detriment to the cultivated land along the roads, the seeds being scattered over the land from the weeds in the road. It is worth while for every farmer to spend a little time in cleaning the weeds out of the roads along his own land. When everything is dry this winter, the weeds may be burnt, and a greater part of the seed destroyed. At the same time it is also worth while to take out the brush. The farms are improving in looks. There has been much cleaning up done the past year, still there remains much more of this work to be done. There are dead trees yet to be removed. It takes time and money to clear away dead trees to be sure, yet there is a good market for the wood, and the wood more than pays for the expense of getting the dead trees down and out of the way. The prospector when he comes here naturally has the impression

be kept out of the roads in irrigated districts.

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that the country should look as clean at least as his own locality and the weedy untidy roads, dead trees, tumble down fences that he may see here and there makes a very unfavorable impression on him. By a little attention on the part of the various land owners, the cause could be readily removed.

We suggest that the Farmers' Institute Society take this matter up for discussion at its next meeting, and arrive at some definite plan to clean up the roads throughout the Project. It would also be well for the society to discuss the advisability of having a law passed by the next legislature, requiring weeds to

## Catholic Services

are held regularly every Sunday at both of the Catholic churches of Carlsbad. High mass and sermon in English at 10 a. m. every Sunday. Instruction in Christian doctrine at 3 p. m. Benediction after instruction.

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